

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S4919–S4995*

**Measures Introduced:** Eighteen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 808–825, S. Res. 107–110, and S. Con. Res. 34. **Pages S4957–58**

#### **Measures Reported:**

Report to accompany S. 380, to amend chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, to reform the funding of benefits under the Civil Service Retirement System for employees of the United States Postal Service. (S. Rept. No. 108–35) **Page S4957**

#### **Measures Passed:**

**Honoring Mary Jane Jenkins Ogilvie:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 110, honoring Mary Jane Jenkins Ogilvie, wife of former Senate Chaplain, Reverend Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie. **Pages S4975, S4994–95**

**CARE Act:** Senate began consideration of S. 476, to provide incentives for charitable contributions by individuals and businesses, to improve the public disclosure of activities of exempt organizations, and to enhance the ability of low-income Americans to gain financial security by building assets, agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Pages S4930–49, S4975–81**

Grassley/Baucus Amendment No. 526, to provide a manager's amendment. **Pages S4939–49**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 11:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 9, 2003. **Page S4995**

**Nomination Considered:** Senate continued consideration of the nomination of Priscilla Richman Owen, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit. **Pages S4922–30, S4949**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Noe Hinojosa, Jr., of Texas, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2003.

Thomas Waters Grant, of New York, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2005.

Noe Hinojosa, Jr., of Texas, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2006. (Reappointment)

William Robert Timken, Jr., of Ohio, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2003.

William Robert Timken, Jr., of Ohio, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2006. (Reappointment)

Alfred Plamann, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank for a term of three years.

Allen Garber, of Minnesota, to be United States Marshal for the District of Minnesota for the term of four years.

Raul David Bejarano, of California, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of California for the term of four years. **Pages S4994, S4995**

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**Text of S./H.R. 1559 (text of S. 762), as Previously Passed:** **Pages S4982–94**

**Adjournment:** Senate met at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 6:44 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday,

April 9, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4995.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### HIV/AIDS/SARS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine the global AIDS crisis and the recent emergence of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome, after receiving testimony from Julie Gerberding, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Elias Zerhouni, Director, National Institutes of Health, and Anthony S. Fauci, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, all of the Department of Health and Human Services.

### APPROPRIATIONS: NIH

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the National Institutes of Health, after receiving testimony from Elias Zerhouni, Director, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

### APPROPRIATIONS: SEC

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, after receiving testimony from William H. Donaldson, Chairman, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

### BUDGET: EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Homeland Security concluded hearings to examine the proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for Emergency Preparedness and Response, focusing on America's disaster response capabilities, pharmaceutical and vaccine stockpiles, assisting all levels of government, first responses, volunteer groups, and the public in meeting emergency challenges, and maintaining public information programs, after receiving testimony from Michael Brown, Under Secretary of Homeland Security for the Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate.

### DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION: HOMELAND DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on homeland defense, after receiving testimony from Paul McHale, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense; General Ralph E. Eberhart, USAF, Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command, and United States Northern Command; and Admiral James O. Ellis, USN, Commander, United States Strategic Command.

### DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION: STRATEGIC FORCES

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded open and closed hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Defense, focusing on strategic forces and policy, after receiving testimony from Linton F. Brooks, Acting Administrator, and Everet H. Beckner, Deputy Administrator, Defense Programs, both of the National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy; Admiral James O. Ellis, Jr., USN, Commander, United States Strategic Command; Rear Admiral Charles B. Young, USN, Director, Strategic Systems Programs, Department of the Navy; and Brigadier General Robert L. Smolen, USAF, Director, Nuclear and Counterproliferation, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Air and Space Operations.

### REAL ESTATE SETTLEMENT PROCEDURES ACT

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the impact of the proposed Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act Rule on small business and consumers to simplify and improve the process of obtaining home mortgages, and to reduce settlement costs for consumers, focusing on clarifying difficult rules and regulations that pose unnecessary legal risks and serve to trump operational efficiencies that could streamline the mortgage process, after receiving testimony from Representative Manzullo; Charles J. Kovaleski, American Land Title Association, Margot Saunders, National Consumer Law Center, on behalf of the Consumer Federation of America, Consumers Union, and U.S. Public Interest Research Group, and Ira Rheingold, National Association of Consumer Advocates, all of Washington, D.C.; Gary E. Acosta, SDF Realty, San Diego, California, on behalf of the National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Professionals; Catherine Whatley, National Association of Realtors, Chicago, Illinois; John Courson, Central